

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 1463**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Smyth**

February 27, 2009

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An act to amend Section 4114 of the Public Resources Code, relating to forest practices.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1463, as introduced, Smyth. Forest practices: Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.

Under existing law, the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, in accordance with a plan approved by the State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, is required to carry out specified duties with respect to the prevention and control of forest fires.

This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change in that provision.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 4114 of the Public Resources Code is
- 2 amended to read:
- 3 4114. (a) The department, in accordance with a plan approved
- 4 by the board, shall do all of the following:
- 5 (1) Provide fire prevention and firefighting implements and
- 6 apparatus.
- 7 (2) Organize fire crews and patrols.
- 8 (3) Establish observation stations and other necessary structures.

1     (4) Employ people to effect the plan.

2     (5) Construct and maintain telephone lines and provide other  
3 means of communication as necessary to prevent and extinguish  
4 forest fires.

5     (b) The department may provide, when available and to the  
6 extent that it does not require additional funds, rescue, first aid,  
7 and other emergency services to the public in state responsibility  
8 areas. Any emergency medical services shall be in accordance  
9 with Division 2.5 (commencing with Section 1797) of the Health  
10 and Safety Code and ~~any~~ rules and regulations adopted pursuant  
11 to that division.